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March 16, 2010

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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Sachi A. Hamai
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**MONTELLANO AVENUE LANDSLIDE REPAIR PROJECT
HACIENDA HEIGHTS
CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION – APPROVE PROJECT BUDGET
(FOURTH DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action will find the project categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), approve the project budget, and authorize the Director of Public Works to carry out the project through a Board-approved Job Order Contract.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that the Montellano Avenue Landslide Repair project is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated herein.
2. Approve the \$4,743,000 project budget for the Montellano Avenue Landslide Repair project, and authorize the Director of Public Works to deliver the Montellano Avenue Landslide Repair project using a Board-approved Job Order Contract.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will enable the Department of Public Works (Public Works) to deliver the project using a Board-approved Job Order Contract (JOC).

The proposed project involves landslide repair of County-owned property in a residential hillside area in Hacienda Heights. The residential tract where the project is located was constructed in the late 1960s. The slope failed in 1983, and the repairs were paid for by the developer and completed by the County in 1999 after a lengthy lawsuit between the County and the developer.

The current slope movement requiring repair occurred in March 2005 following the heavy winter rains. This landslide is adjacent to the previously repaired landslide between Heatherfield Drive and Montellano Avenue. On July 31, 2007, your Board approved an agreement with Cotton, Shires & Associates, Inc. (CSA), to perform the necessary geotechnical soils investigations and engineering design consulting services to address the needed repairs. CSA completed the needed investigations and design in May 2009 for this project and recommends the installation of a gravity groundwater control program that includes a series of vertical wells along Heatherfield Drive that will connect to a series of horizontal drains. The proposed slope repair measures will remove existing County-owned unoccupied single-family residence structure, increase the stability of the slope, and provide better protection for the County roads and the private property adjacent to the hillside.

Jurisdictional approvals from Public Works' Building and Safety and Geotechnical and Materials Engineering Divisions were completed on August 10, 2009, and construction will be performed after the current rain season, around April 15, 2010, using a Board approved JOC.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3) and Public Safety (Goal 5) by completing work that will protect adjoining residential homes and improving the safety of public infrastructure in the community.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund as a result of these actions.

The total estimated cost of the Montellano Avenue Landslide Repair project, including construction, plans and specifications, plan check fees, consultant services, miscellaneous expenditures, and County services, is \$4,743,000.

The Project Schedule and Budget Summary are enclosed.

The project cost will be financed with Proposition 1B funds under the Local Streets and Road Improvement, Congestion Relief, and Traffic Safety Account of 2006. This project is included in the Fourth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Road Fund Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On July 31, 2007, your Board approved the award of an agreement with CSA to perform the necessary geotechnical soils investigations and engineering design consulting services. CSA was found to be the best qualified firm to provide the required services of those firms that responded to the Request for Proposal issued on April 3, 2007. CSA completed the investigations and project design in May 2009.

Public Works will use a Board-approved JOC to perform the repair and demolition work associated with this project.

This project is exempt from your Board's Civic Art Policy adopted on December 7, 2004, because it is an underground project.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This project is categorically exempt under CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301(f) and (l) and Section 15303(d) and the County of Los Angeles Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Class 1, (h)(1) and (i), and Class 3(a), adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987. These exemptions provide for the demolition of a single-family residence, addition of safety protection devices, and construction of a new storm drain.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The project will be constructed using a Board-approved JOC.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no impact on current County services or projects during the performance of the recommended services.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Project Management Division II.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER
Director

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Enclosures

c: Auditor-Controller
Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)
Civic Arts Commission
County Counsel
Executive Office
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance
Department of Public Social Services
(GAIN/GROW Program)

March 16, 2010

ENCLOSURE

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I. PROJECT SCHEDULE

Project Activity	Completion Date
Project Design	
Construction Documents Jurisdictional Approvals	05/26/09 08/10/09
Construction	
Substantial Completion Acceptance	07/30/10 10/14/10

II. PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY

Budget Summary	Actual Project Expenditure through December 2009	Estimated Project Costs to Complete the Project	Total Project Budget
Land Acquisition	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Construction			
Job Order Contract (Site Work)	\$ 0	\$ 1,970,000	\$ 1,970,000
Bid Contingency (0 percent)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Change Orders – Construction	\$ 0	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000
Demolition	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Utility Connection Fee	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Departmental Crafts	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Youth Employment	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Equipment	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Construction Consultants	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Telecomm Equipment – Affixed to Building	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Gordian Group	\$ 0	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
Civic Arts	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subtotal	\$ 0	\$ 2,300,000	\$ 2,300,000
Programming/Development	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Plans and Specifications	\$ 367,244	\$ 262,186	\$ 629,430
Consultant Services			
Deputy Inspection	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Site Planning	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Methane Consultant	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Geotech/Soils Test	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Cost Estimating/Constructability Reviews	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Topographic Surveys	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Construction Management	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Construction Administration	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Environmental	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Move Management	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Equipment Planning	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Legal	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Scheduling	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Contract/Change Order	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Other	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Subtotal	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Miscellaneous Expenditures			
Printing	\$ 0	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000
Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Subtotal	\$ 0	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000

II. PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY (continued)

Budget Category	Actual Project Expenditure through December 2009	Estimated Project Costs to Complete the Project	Total Project Budget
Jurisdictional Review/Plan Check/Permit	\$ 0	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
County Services			
Code Compliance and Quality Control Inspections	\$ 0	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
Design Review	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Design Services	\$ 0	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Contract Administration	\$ 0	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
AED Support Services	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Project Management	\$ 0	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
Project Management Support Services	\$ 0	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
Secretarial	\$ 0	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Document Control	\$ 0	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Survey	\$ 0	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Programs Development	\$ 0	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Geotechnical and Material Engineering	\$ 0	\$ 110,000	\$ 110,000
Project Security	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Project Technical Support	\$ 0	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
Consultant Contract Recovery	\$ 0	\$ 18,514	\$ 18,514
Office of Affirmative Action	\$ 0	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
County Counsel	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Emergency Response and Dewatering Activities	\$ 1,361,056	\$ 0	\$ 1,361,056
Other	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Subtotal	\$ 1,361,056	\$ 435,514	\$ 1,796,570
Total	\$ 1,728,300	\$ 3,014,700	\$ 4,743,000